

THE HARRY O'NEILL MEMORIAL RUN

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To Whom It May Concern:

Three years ago on June 30th, 2005, the Herricks Community suddenly and tragically lost a beloved teacher, coach and friend. In honor of Harry O'Neill, the community is organizing the 3rd Annual Memorial 5K Walk/Run for June 14^h, 2008. To make this event possible we are kindly asking for a donation to be made in honor of our teacher, coach and friend. This event is extremely important to the hundreds of people who knew, respected and loved Mr. O'Neill, and it can only take place with the support of community businesses. The proceeds would be put toward the event, as well as a Harry O'Neill Memorial Fund, which will be used for scholarships and funding for sports programs. Any donations, monetary or material, will be greatly appreciated.

Harry O'Neill, a member of this community for over 28 years, was a unique man who showed his zest for life everyday. He was a well respected outdoor education and physical education teacher. As a baseball, basketball, tennis, track and cross-country coach, as well as a little league coach for his nephew's team, he pushed his athletes to reach their highest potential. He also helped and encouraged his shyest students to break out of their shells and try new experiences. In addition to his devotion to the Herricks district, he involved himself in community affairs, and was extremely devoted to his large family. He was a man who left an indelible impression on each person he touched.

Harry O'Neill dispensed a seemingly boundless amount of love, and this was evident at his wake and funeral. Over 600 people attended to say goodbye to this well loved man and last year at the second annual event over 400 people attended. To keep this love and his memory alive, we need your support in helping make this Memorial 5K Walk/Run a reality. Thank you for your time and support in whatever way you choose to help.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jane MODOONO, Principal

Ms. Joan Keegan, Assistant Principal

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